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**Subject:** National Tribal Relations Implementation Team

To: Regional Foresters, Station Directors, Area Director, IITF Director, and WO Staffs

Enclosed you will find a list of the individuals asked to participate on the National Tribal Relations Implementation Team. I would personally like to thank the participants for their willingness to serve on this important team. Dorothy Firecloud, Region 3 Tribal Liaison has been asked by the Washington Office to serve as Team Leader, and Carol Jorgensen, National Tribal Program Manager will oversee the progress. The team's tasks is to develop and implement procedures outlined by the Tribal Relations Program National Task Force, which was Chaired by Brad Powell, Regional Forester, Region 5.

This is a major undertaking and I encourage the team to be proactive, and utilize every resource and option possible to fulfill the obligations outlined by the Tribal Relations Program National Task Force.

I strongly support this effort and will be interested in the progress of this team as we move forward building strong relations working collaboratively with our Tribal partners.

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Enclosure

